

**REMARKS**

By way of the foregoing amendments, the specification has been amended to reflect the English language translation of the title. The Abstract has been amended to conform with conventional U.S. format. The claims have been amended to remove multiple dependencies, and to otherwise conform with conventional U.S. format. No new matter has been introduced by these changes.

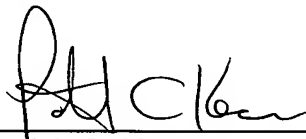
It is requested that the application be examined on the basis of the specification, the Abstract, and the claims as amended.

Should any questions arise in connection with this application, the undersigned respectfully requests that he be contacted at the number indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

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